

TOWN OF DRAYTON VALLEY COUNCIL REVIEW | MAY 27, 2020



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TENDERS & RFPs

As part of the 2020 Budget, Town Council has taken an innovative approach to capital planning, putting emphasis on local resources to help "Get Drayton Valley Back to Work."

In April 2020, the Town put a call out to our local businesses requesting a list of equipment and available resources with the intent to tailor projects utilizing local supplies, assets, and expertise. \$2 million has also been invested from municipal reserves to help our community get back on its feet!

We're excited to announce that tenders are now available on the Town's website at:

www.draytonvalley.ca/tenders-and-rfps/.

Businesses and those who remain working are encouraged to support the local community as much as possible to ensure everyone can benefit from Town Council's economic stimulus initiative!

COUNCIL DECISION ITEMS

AMENDING BYLAW 2020/08/F - AMENDMENT OF TOWN OF DRAYTON VALLEY BORROWING BYLAW 99-14

In October 1999, Town Council passed Bylaw 99-14 to address the highly seasonal nature of Town revenues. At that time, a borrowing limit of \$750,000.00 was approved to meet current expenditures and obligations of the Town until such a time that taxes could be collected. In 2017, an amendment was made to increase the borrowing limit to \$4,000,000.00, however in light of the current economic situation, it is necessary to make another amendment from \$4,000,000.00 to an amount not exceeding \$9,000,000.00. This will ensure funds are available to maintain operations and capital commitments throughout the year.

This Bylaw was presented for Second Reading, and Council carried the Second Reading. Going forward, the Amending Bylaw will be advertised as per MGA section 251 and upon third and final reading, Bylaw 2017/02/F will be repealed.

RESOLUTION TO AUMA - EDUCATION PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION

A request was brought forward by Councillor Wheeler to prepare a resolution regarding Education Property Tax Collection and its impact on municipalities. The resolution is to be submitted to the 2020 Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Convention.

The draft resolution was presented for Council's consideration and Council endorsed the resolution and appointed Councillor Wheeler as the Resolution Champion for the "Education Property Tax Collection" that will be referred to the 2020 Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Convention.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings begin at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and are open to the public.

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Is your home draining storm water correctly? Eavestroughs incorrectly connected to the Town's sewer lines can cause flooding in your home! To find out more about eavestrough, and other factors that can cause basement flooding in your home, as well as simple preventative measures you can take visit www.draytonvalley.ca/waste-storm-water-disconnect/

COUNCIL DECISION ITEMS

EAGLE POINT - BLUE RAPIDS PARKS COUNCIL: LETTER OF SUPPORT REQUEST

The Eagle Point - Blue Rapids (EPBR) Parks Council is in the process of submitting a grant application to Alberta Environment and Parks for Core Operational Support of the Park. The Parks Council requested a Letter of Support from the Town of Drayton Valley to supplement their grant application and Council approved the provision of a Letter of Support.

RELOCATING MAT/SHELTER PROGRAM

On April 20th, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Community Mat and Shelter program opened at the Alliance Church. The venue was inspected and approved by Alberta Health Services for a total of 18 participants, however since then, the number of people accessing the program has grown and the program is outgrowing the space. This issue, as well as that church services hope to resume at the end of May, is necessitating the need to relocate the Mat and Shelter program. Several locations have been assessed by Town Administration and Alberta Health Services while considering the space requirements needed for physical distancing, as well as fire regulations, a kitchen for meal prep, and the Budget allocated by the Province.

After reviewing all considerations, Administration requested a decision from Town Council on the relocation of the Mat and Shelter Program to the Curling Rink Lounge, and Council approved the relocation of the program from the Alliance Church to the Curling Rink Lounge for the remainder of the agreement term of June 30th, 2020.

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (ECDC) PARTIAL RE-OPENING STRATEGY

On March 17th, 2020, in accordance with the Province of Alberta's COVID-19 response, the ECDC was closed to the public. Since the facility's closure, the ECDC Program Manager has been in discussions with the Minister of Children's Services, Alberta Health Services, and Day Care Networks to address re-opening procedures and protocols. As the province begins to relaunch, Administration and Town Council have been in discussion about the possible re-opening of the ECDC and the considerations which must be taken into account. Administration has addressed these considerations, and is proposing a partial re-opening for June 22. Council granted authorization for Town Administration to manage the re-opening of the ECDC.



COVID-19

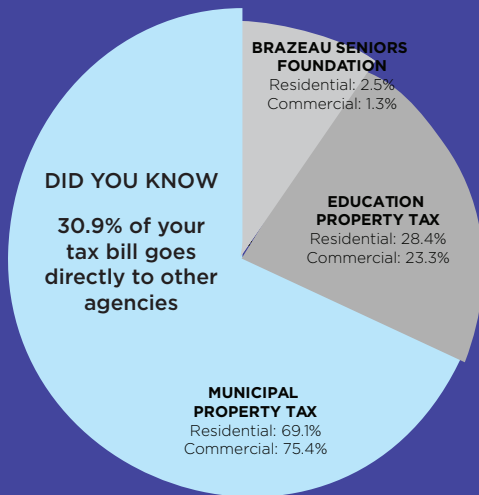
For up-to-date information about the COVID-19 pandemic visit www.draytonvalley.ca/covid-19/

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THE AVERAGE MUNICIPAL TAX BILL IS COMPRISED OF 3 ELEMENTS:

BRAZEAU SENIORS FOUNDATION
EDUCATION PROPERTY TAX
MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX



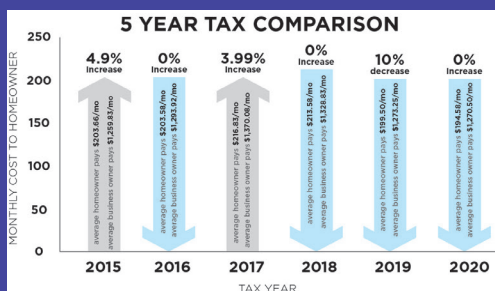
The average homeowner will pay an average of

\$194.58 PER MONTH **\$2,335.00*** PER YEAR

OR

The average business owner will pay an average of

\$1,270.50 PER MONTH **\$15,246.00**** PER YEAR



THIS MEANS The average property owner is paying similar taxes to what they were 5 years ago!

Visit draytonvalley.ca/budget-2020/ for full 2020 Budget details!

COUNCIL DECISION ITEMS

PROPOSED 2020 PURCHASING AND TENDERING POLICY

To accommodate Town Council's initiative to 'Get Drayton Valley Back to Work,' Administration is requesting Council's approval to prepare a policy which will allow the procurement of local resources to complete infrastructure maintenance and repairs in 2020. The current Purchasing and Tendering Policy states that "no employee, member of Council or a member of their immediate family, nor any entity effectively controlled by any such party, may submit quotations, proposals or tenders to the Town for the purchase of goods and services." This section precludes the Town from sourcing strictly local contractors as it aligns with the North West Partnership Trade Agreement which dictates that bids be posted to Alberta Purchasing Connect (APC) allowing for contractors in British Columbia, Alberta, and Saskatchewan to submit bids for projects.

The new Proposed TF-01-20 2020 Purchasing and Tendering Policy will give Administration the ability to operate outside of the current policy and use fair and equitable processes to procure local services as part of the 'Getting Drayton Valley Back to Work' initiative, and the Province's 'Shovel Ready Projects.' If approved, Administration will bring proposed policy TF-01-20 to Council on June 17, 2020 for review and decision. Council carried the proposed policy and directed Administration to develop Policy TF-01-20 2020 Purchasing and Tendering Policy for Town Council's review on June 17th, 2020.

LETTERS TO PREMIER KENNEY AND MINISTER MADU

Draft letters were prepared to Premier Jason Kenney, and Minister of Municipal Affairs Kaycee Madu to address the lack of support from banking institutions for well-standing businesses with business opportunities in Drayton Valley as well as to advocate for economic prosperity and support in our region. The draft letters were presented for Council's review and consideration and Council approved sending the proposed letters to both Premier Kenney and Minister Madu.

MACKENZIE CONFERENCE CENTRE TEMPORARY OPENING

Due to COVID-19, the Town of Drayton Valley decided to close various Town facilities to the public in support of Alberta Health Services' priority to help prevent the spread of the virus. On May 26, 2020, the MacKenzie family requested the temporary opening of the MacKenzie Conference Centre from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday May 29th, 2020 for a funeral service for the late Mr. John MacKenzie. All users will be required to follow current Public Health orders and recommendations from the Government. Council approved the temporary opening of the MacKenzie Conference Centre for the sole purpose of facilitating a funeral service for the late Mr. John MacKenzie.

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